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## PILOT SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN

FNS HAS ANNOUNCED the start of a pilot special supplemental food program that will provide pregnant and lactating women, and children under 4 years old, with nutritious foods.

The program, to be carried out by local health agencies under Public Law 92-433, will help USDA identify the benefits of food in combating physical and mental damages that might affect malnourished infants.

Regulations governing the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) were announced on July 6.

The pilot WIC program will operate through June 30, 1974, in selected areas. The delivery system may include distribution of food at health clinics, issuance of food vouchers redeemable at retail stores, or any other method a State selects.

The Department will provide cash grants to health departments, or comparable State agencies, to make supplemental foods available. A WIC program may be carried out in any area, in both food stamp and food distribution areas.

Project areas are required to maintain

medical records on participants. A local agency may apply for the program if:

- It provides health services to residents of areas in which a substantial number of persons have low incomes.
- Its staff includes competent medical personnel to examine persons receiving health services.
- Its facilities include equipment for conducting a series of tests.

Participants are eligible for the pilot program if:

- They reside in an approved project area.
- They are eligible for medical treatment at reduced cost from a local agency serving the project area in which they reside.
- They are determined by competent medical personnel of the local agency to be in need of supplemental food.

The 5 FNS Regional Offices started immediately to contact State Health Departments, to advise them of operating details of the new program, and to determine their interest in participating.



## FNS REGIONAL BOUNDARIES CONFORM TO FEDERAL REGIONS

FNS HAS CHANGED its regional boundaries to conform to the pattern of the Standard Federal Regions.

While the new FNS boundary lines will follow those of the Standard Federal Regions, FNS will combine the 10 SFR into five FNS regions.

States included in the FNS Northeast Region--which will cover the same area as SFR I, II, and III--are Conn., Del., Maine, Md., N.H., N.J., N.Y., Pa., R.I., Va., Vt., W. Va., Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

The FNS Southeast Region will cover the SFR IV and will include Ala., Fla., Ga., Ky., Miss., N.C., and S.C.

The FNS Midwest Region will cover Ill., Ind., Iowa, Kans., Mich., Minn., Mo., Ohio, Nebr., and Wis.--the same area as SFR V and VII.

The FNS West-Central Region--now termed

Southwest--will include Ark., Colo., La., Mont., N. Mex., N. Dak., Okla., S. Dak., Tex., Utah, and Wyo.; it will cover SFR VI and VIII.

The following States will be included in the FNS Western Region, which will cover the SFR IX and X: Alaska, Ariz., Calif., Hawaii, Oreg., Nev., Wash., Guam, American Samoa, and the Trust Territory.

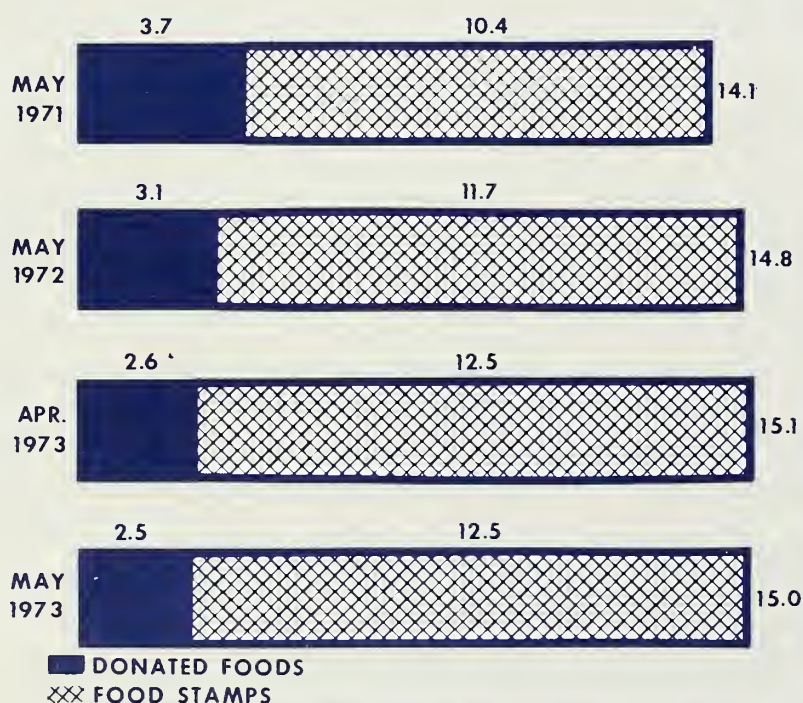
The change will be gradual, starting now and continuing over the next 3-1/2 months, to be completed Sept. 1. The change will be made later in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Locations of the five FNS regional offices will continue to be:

Northeast: 707 Alexander Rd., Princeton, N.J. 08550; Southeast: 1100 Spring St., N.W., Atlanta, Ga. 30309; Midwest: 536 S. Clark St., Chicago, Ill. 60605; West-Central: 1100 Commerce St., Dallas, Tex. 75202; Western: 550 Kearny St., San Francisco, Calif. 94108.

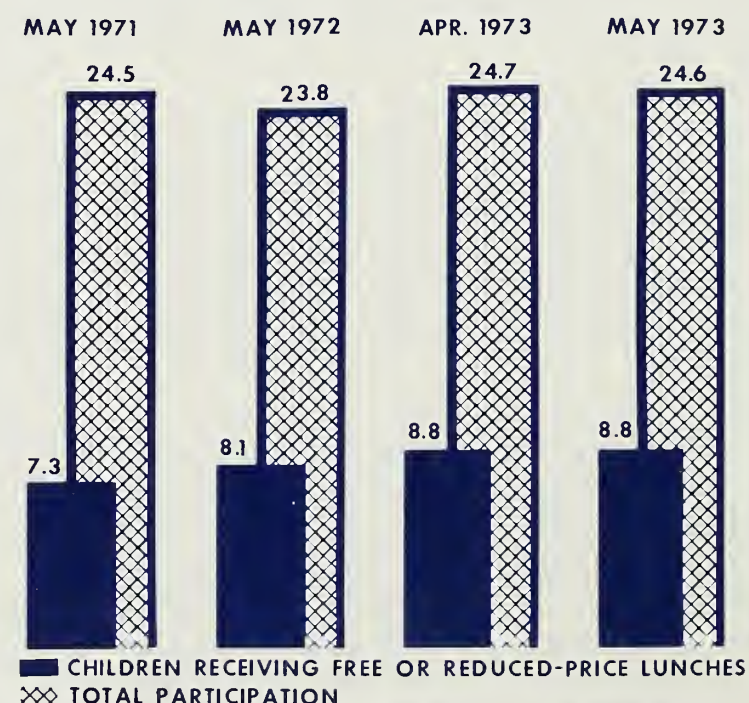
### FAMILY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

(Millions of Participants)



### NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

(Millions of Participants)



## **A&P Informs Spanish-Speaking of Food Stamp Program**

THE A&P GROCERY CHAIN has begun an extensive campaign in 200 stores in the New York-New Jersey area to better inform Spanish-speaking clientele of the food stamp program.

Radio spot announcements on two New York stations, as well as television commercials, food ads in a local Spanish newspaper, and 1-minute spots in about 10 of New York's 23 Spanish theaters are all a part of the effort to increase awareness of the program among Spanish-speaking people.

An A&P-sponsored float will feature food stamps in the Puerto Rican Day parade in Newark, N.J., on July 29.

## **BOY SCOUTS EAT BREAD FROM PROCESSING CONTRACT FLOUR**

AT THE BOY SCOUT Jamboree near Bay View, Idaho, this summer, 25,000 to 30,000 boys will enjoy bread which has been processed from donated Bakers Hard Wheat Flour. The Idaho State Agency announced that contractual arrangements had been made with a commercial baker to produce bread and rolls at their Spokane, Washington, plant.

## **Special Milk Program Regulations Revised**

REVISED REGULATIONS for the Special Milk Program for Children have been announced that will adjust program expenditures to the level of \$25 million provided in P.L. 93-53--the Continuing Resolution for fiscal year 1974.

The changes:

- Make the Special Milk Program available only to schools which do not have food service for attending children. (In schools which have lunch and break-

fast programs, milk is served as a basic component of all meals.)

- Set a uniform rate of reimbursement for all participating schools. The maximum rate of reimbursement is 3 cents a half-pint. Schools must use these payments to reduce the price of milk to children.

## **FOOD PROGRAM PEOPLE**

John J. Harter recently was named director of the Division of School Lunch for the State of Indiana.

Lewis Hibbs has been appointed State distributing agent serving institutions and summer camps in Maryland.

Betty Hutchinson has assumed her duties as Outreach Coordinator for the Mississippi State Agency.

Arkansas Commissioner of Social Services, Dalton Jennings, resigned June 30. Mr. Jennings was Commissioner since May 1971.

Ed Kwiatkowski has been named the new State distributing agent in Delaware.

## **PA. AND VT. ADMINISTER PRIVATE SCHOOL PROGRAMS**

A FEDERAL-STATE agreement in Pennsylvania provides for the State Department of Education to direct administration of all child feeding programs in nonprofit private schools, child care institutions, and summer camps. Camp operations will remain under the FNS Northeast Regional Office for this summer only, with the transfer of responsibility to the State at the summer's end.

In Vermont the State Department of Education has assumed direct administration of the Special Milk Program in child care institutions and summer camps.



### **Food Stamp Flip Chart Booklet Updated**

INCREASED FOOD STAMP allotments and eligibility standards went into effect July 1. In order to update the information in the food stamp flip chart booklet, "Food Stamps For You" (FNS-67), FNS has prepared adhesive-backed inserts to replace the national eligibility standards listed on page 14 of the booklet. These inserts, available in both English and Spanish, can be obtained by writing the Food Stamp Division, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA, Washington, D.C. 20250.

### **FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR CHILD CARE**

A SECOND APPORTIONMENT for the year-'round Special Food Service Program for Children will provide additional funds to participating nonprofit child care institutions.

The institutions, located in eight States--Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Missouri, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, and the Trust Territory--will receive \$478,851. Other States have adequate funds to reimburse approved and participating child care institutions for their fiscal year 1973 operations.

The initial apportionment of fiscal year 1973 program funds, totaling \$20,775,000 was made to States last November. Of this sum, \$4,367,505 was returned for reapportionment among States requesting additional funds. The remaining \$3.9 million will be carried over for future use.

In addition to the second apportionment, a total of \$2.7 million of Section 32 funds has been authorized to maintain continuity of operations in States where

the program level exceeds the second apportionment.

### **Supreme Court Rules**

#### **On Food Stamp Provisions**

THE UNITED STATES Supreme Court has ruled that the "relatedness" and "tax dependency" provisions of food stamp program regulations are unconstitutional. This means that members of a household do not necessarily have to be related in order to participate in the food stamp program if they meet the other eligibility requirements. Nor can a household be declared ineligible simply because a member is claimed as a tax dependent by someone in another household.

Food stamp regulations and instructions are now being revised to reflect this recent Supreme Court decision.

### **FNS EMPHASIZES TRAINING FOR SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE WORKERS**

A SERIES OF TEN 30-minute television programs developed under contract with the New England State Education Council, the Boston educational TV station, WGBH, and Harvard University, was shown over educational TV this spring. Some 7,400 school food service personnel registered for the 10-part TV course, which included materials and tests on specialized nutrition subjects. These included buying, preparing, serving and merchandizing nutritious food to school lunch customers.

Toward an independent study program for food service workers, USDA has just contracted with the Extension Service of the University of Wisconsin to develop a correspondence course for school food service managers and potential managers.